

EXHIBIT

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Log Cabin School
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Billings, MT 59102
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To Whom It May Concern,

I am Patricia Stricker, Director and Owner of Log Cabin School in Billings, MT. I have operated my Childcare business for 27 years. A concern was raised last summer when a sex/violent offender moved into the apartments directly behind Log Cabin and the Montessori School. When we addressed the issue we were told there was no legislation or recourse that existed in Montana to prevent this potentially dangerous situation.

I am extremely concerned as my play-yard is in direct proximity to the offender's apartment and window. After living under the scrutiny of this offender for close to a year I feel strongly that some sort of legislation needs to be passed to prevent this situation from happening for the well-being of all involved.

The U.S. Probation officer, Mr Carlos R. Jones informed us that there is legislation in many other States but not in Montana. I believe this issue is worthy of attention and new legislation.

Please consider all the children in Montana who are in potentially dangerous situations and are not currently protected by the laws of our State.

Respectfully,
Patricia Stricker
Log Cabin School